

the care and treatment of the ill, knowing that by so doing we are protecting our greatest asset—our human resources. We must broaden and improve our programs for the conservation of our natural resources. We must continue in our efforts to provide jobs for our people and profits for our businessmen by attracting new industry encouraging those already here to expand. We must try at all times to create the kind of economic climate in which business and commerce can flourish.

If we do all these things, with intelligence, with vigor and with strong determination, the future of our great State is secure.

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## REMARKS, FOOD PROCESSOR'S SEMINAR

### BALTIMORE

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Thank you, Mr. Kronau. Gentlemen:

Maryland is a maritime state and we are proud of its long history in foreign trade. From its inception as a port of entry in 1704 to the present are of progress in port facilities, Marylanders have looked to the sea and have aggressively placed their faith in waterborne commerce. Over the years, Baltimore's strategic location and its up-to-date facilities have combined to make it one of the finest seaports for handling goods in the North Atlantic. You gentlemen here today, by your very presence, show your progressive attitude in Maryland's major industry — foreign trade. We in this State are rightly proud of being in the forefront of the food processing industry in the United States, and today, are guests in the home of the world's largest spice house.

The national government has emphasized the importance of foreign trade by creating the National Export Expansion Council. I, as Governor of the State, have heartily endorsed this endeavor, and recognizing the special importance of foreign commerce to the economy of the State of Maryland, was happy to create a Maryland Regional Export Expansion Council under the chairmanship of John L. Kronau, you moderator for today's discussion.

This group of dedicated representatives of government and industry has actively promoted programs to bring to the firms of Maryland the benefits to be derived by an aggressive foreign commerce program. You, the representatives of the food processing industry in